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DECLARATION OF SHIMON TSURGIL

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Dear Sir

I, Shimon Tsurgil of Kibutz Hahortim, Israel declare that:

1. I am the inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-identified patent application.
2. Due to an inadvertent and unintentional error, the data in Tables 1 and 2 on page 10 of this application is inaccurate.
3. The correct data for Tables 1 and 2 is shown below:



Table 1

Method of Propagation	Plantings per dunam	Flowers per dunam (September)	Flowers per dunam (October)	Flowers per dunam (November and December)	Flowers per dunam (Total for Year)
Sucker Planted Substantially Horizontally	80.9	74.4	45.6	20.4	140.4
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 6)	63.4	63.1	0	0	63.4
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 7)	64.5	64.1	0	0	64.5

Table 2

Method of Propagation	Plantings per dunam	Bunches per dunam	% Bunches per Planting	Average Weight (kg) per bunch	Yield (kg) per dunam
Sucker Planted Substantially Horizontally	80.9	142	177.4	22.0	3136.8
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 1)	66.1	67.1	101.5	23.9	1601.0
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 2)	57.0	78.9	138.4	23.0	1818.7
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 3)	80.4	91.3	113.5	23.0	2099.7
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 4)	63.4	74.6	119.2	23.6	1760.0
Sucker Planted Vertically (Plot 5)	64.5	79.8	123.7	23.8	1899.6



It is further declared that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patents.

Dated: Jan 15th, 2004 By: Shimon Tsurgil
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